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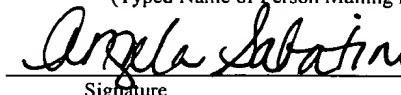
Pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit this Information Disclosure Statement together with a completed Form PTO-1449.

This application is the United States National Phase of PCT Application No. PCT/EP99/05759. The International Search Report dated December 27, 1999, for the underlying PCT application identified the references listed on Form PTO-1449. Copies of the International Search Report and the references listed on Form PTO-1449 are not being submitted with this Information Disclosure Statement as they were received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office as indicated in the Notification Of Acceptance Of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495, dated July 16, 2001. The degree of relevance for each

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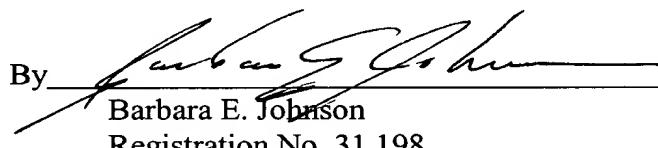
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